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Masaki Hayashi et al.

Application No.: 10/087,592

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For: SHIFT DEVICE AND SWITCH DEVICE THEREOF FOR VEHICLE

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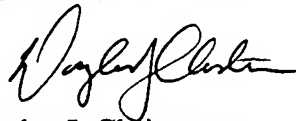
Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (copy attached) mailed April 12, 2002, submitted herewith are an executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney, 10 sheets of formal drawings and an English translation of the application with Declaration that the translation is accurate. Also submitted for filing is an Assignment of the invention to KABUSHIKI KAISHA TOKAI RIKA DENKI SEISAKUSHO. A check in the amount of \$1,084.00 is enclosed to cover the missing parts surcharge, English translation processing fee, and filing fee. A check in the amount of \$40.00 is enclosed to cover the Assignment recording fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to grant any extensions of time and to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.

Entry of these documents should complete all of the filing formalities and fully satisfy all requirements of the Notice to File Missing Parts. Accordingly, examination and allowance of this application in due course are respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.

Respectfully submitted,



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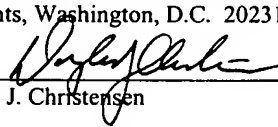
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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- o The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*
- o The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- o To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- o The application was filed in a language other than English. Applicant is required to provide an English translation of the specification and a statement that the translation is accurate. (See 37 CFR 1.52(d)).
- o Applicant must file an English translation of the application, the \$ 130 fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).
- o **The balance due by applicant is \$ 1000.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- o Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing figures contain text that is not in English (including, for example, a flow chart that was originally not in English that has been marked up to include the English text) see 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) and 37 CFR 1.52(d)(1);

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# Translator

Dated this 26th date of April, 2002

and the fact that the Government has not been able to secure the necessary funds to carry out its policy of non-interference in the internal affairs of the country.